



Building A Better Community



AGENDA

Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council Regular Virtual Monthly Board Meeting Wednesday April 24, 2024, 7:00 P.M.

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 6, 2023 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023, THE BEL AIR-BEVERLY CREST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

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When prompted by the presiding officer to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial *9 or use the Raise Hand option, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered.

Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to one minute per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

SB 411 Updates: In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.

(C) The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.

(D) Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

(E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

Call to Order, Flag Salute & Roll Call

1. Approval of the Agenda

2. Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve March 27, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes (**Attachment A**)

3. General Public Comment

BABCNC welcomes comment from the public on any topic within the Board's jurisdiction but not on the adopted agenda.

4. Comments of Elected Officials & Agencies

Speakers may include:

Skylar Payab, Office of Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin

Joshua Marin-Mora, Office of Assemblymember Rick Chavez Zbur

Kenneth Miller, Office of Mayor Bass

Sidney Liss, Office of CD4 Councilmember Nithya Raman

Haley Martinez, Office of CD5 Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky

Amanda (Mandy) Laflen, Office of Supervisor Lindsey Horvath

Octaviano Rios, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

5. President's Report

6. Reports of Committee Chairs

Old Business

7. Codification of Executive Directive No. 1. Expedition of Permits and Clearances for Temporary Shelters and Affordable Housing Types

Motion: Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council opposes the motion in CF 23-0623-S1 to codify Executive Directive No. 1 unless amended to contain the eligibility requirements found in AB 785, specifically, Public Resources Code

Section 21080.27 (a)(1). AB785 was a law that was sponsored by Mayor Bass that went into effect on January 1, 2024. It only applies to 100 percent affordable housing developments in the City of Los Angeles and sets forth when a project is statutorily exempt from CEQA. It logically follows that projects that do not qualify for this statutory exemption should also not qualify for ED1 as a ministerial approval.

8. Request Compensation for Transfer of PROW Easements [WRAC]

Discussion and Possible Motion: The BABCNC requests that the City modify its procedures regarding street vacations as follows:

a) If a street vacation is being processed to facilitate a development project, then the applicant must obtain an appraisal prepared by a qualified appraiser to determine the fair market value of the easement. In undertaking this evaluation, the appraiser shall assess the value of the development project both with and without the easement. The applicant shall be required to compensate the City for vacation of the easement taking into consideration the increased value of the development project resulting from the street vacation.

b) If a street vacation is not being processed to facilitate a development project, then an applicant need not pay the City for the fair market value of the easement. However, the City shall require an irrevocable deed restriction be placed on the portion of the street being vacated to prevent habitable structures.

BABCNC further requests that Councilmembers representing WRAC member councils (CMs Park, Yaroslavsky, Raman and Hutt) bring a motion in Council or otherwise direct the Dept. of City Planning (DCP) to institute a DCP policy to effectuate this purpose.

New Business

9. Monthly Expenditure Report

Motion to approve March 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report (**Attachment B**)

10. Funding Request

Motion to approve an order for up to \$700 for Name Badges – “LA City Hanging Badge” with raised City Seal - Double Sided – Lanyard 2.00"W x 3.50"H @ \$15.95 each. For 36 board members the total would be \$639.70 including taxes and shipping. A few additional badges may be ordered for regular Alternates and Board Administrator) (**Attachment C**)

11. Standing Rules

Motion to approve the Standing Rules for the Planning and Land Use Committee (**Attachment D**)

12. Fire Station Open Houses

Solicit volunteers for Fire Station Open House tables – two for every two hours.

Fire Station 71 Open House – May 5 from 9:00 to 12:00

Fire Station 99 Open House – May 11 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm

13. Appointment to WRAC Homeless Committee

Motion to appoint primary and alternate representatives for WRAC Homelessness Committee (HOC).

14. Town Hall on City Solutions for Housing and Homelessness

Background: The landscape of solutions for housing and homelessness is very complex, with different public and private actors involved in the creation and administration of rules and regulations, provision of services, oversight of those services and financing. Because of the level of complication, most people have a challenging time understanding exactly what's going on beyond a basic understanding of some of the costs involved. This, however, is the defining problem of Los Angeles at this time, and we, as Neighborhood Council Members, bear some responsibility for understanding how the City is responding, and for providing an opportunity for our constituents to understand as well. **Motion:** That BABCNC, potentially in conjunction with nearby NCs, hold a town hall on this topic and bring in our Councilmembers and/or staff to help us understand the lay of the land better and to budget for an in-person event in the upcoming fiscal year.

15. Appointment to DONE Regional Grievance Panel:

Background: The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment has certified grievances filed by stakeholders and board members. For those filed by board members and subsequently certified, a regional grievance panel will be formed. The Department, in its sole discretion, may reject or remove any panelist recommended for appointment by the Neighborhood Council and request the Neighborhood Council to appoint a replacement panelist. The Department may also develop mandatory training required, and consultation with the Office of the City Attorney before a panelist serves on the Regional Grievance Panel. **Motion** to recommend one Board Member to serve as Panelist for Neighborhood Council Regional Grievance Panels.

16. 1524 Benedict Canyon

Discussion and Possible Motion to request that the Bureau of Street Services (BSS) investigate the notification process and permit issues for the removal of a protected tree at 1524 Benedict Canyon after two protected trees apparently were previously removed without permits (**Attachment D**).

17. 9650 Cedarbrook Drive

Update and Possible Action to advise the City Attorney on community concerns relative to recent actions of the bankruptcy court affirming validity of permits issued for the development of a 78,000 square foot dwelling at 9650 Cedarbrook Drive, pursuant to the purpose of the neighborhood council to have an advisory role on issues of concern to the neighborhood under the City Charter.

Good of the Order:

Brief comments of Board Members on items not on the agenda.

Adjourn to May 22, 2024

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